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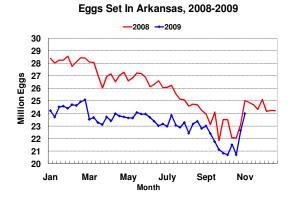
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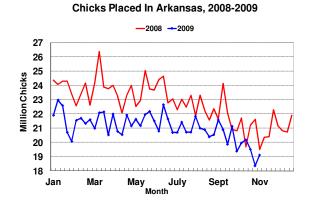
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## Arkansas Chick Placements Down 2 Percent from Last Year

Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas were 19.1 million during the week ending November 14, 2009. Placements were down 2 percent from the comparable week in 2008 but up 4 percent from the previous week.

Arkansas hatcheries set 24.0 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending November 14, 2009, down 4 percent from the same period last year but up 6 percent from the previous week.





Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Week, October 17, 2009 - November 14, 2009

| State            | Eggs Set  Week Ending |           |           |           |         | Chicks Placed Week Ending |           |           |           |         |
|------------------|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|---------|---------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|---------|
|                  |                       |           |           |           |         |                           |           |           |           |         |
|                  |                       | Thousand  |           |           |         |                           | Thousand  |           |           |         |
| Alabama          | 26,478                | 27,589 *  | 24,736    | 25,591    | 29,048  | 20,116                    | 19,199    | 19,368    | 19,411    | 19,861  |
| Arkansas         | 20,704                | 21,511 *  | 20,713    | 22,655 *  | 23,997  | 19,957                    | 20,180    | 19,515    | 18,362 *  | 19,118  |
| Delaware         | 3,116                 | 3,167     | 2,941     | 2,735     | 3,260   | 4,320                     | 4,075     | 4,740     | 4,940     | 4,195   |
| Florida          | 1,098                 | 1,098     | 1,327     | 1,328     | 1,096   | 876                       | 1,140     | 1,026     | 830       | 920     |
| Georgia          | 28,659                | 29,746 *  | 27,685    | 28,627    | 30,723  | 26,509                    | 22,529    | 25,302 *  | 23,552 *  | 25,074  |
| Kentucky         | 6,956 *               | 7,468 *   | 7,247     | 6,999     | 7,789   | 5,984 *                   | 5,749 *   | 5,984 *   | 5,367 *   | 5,268   |
| Louisiana        | 3,379                 | 3,228 *   | 3,077     | 3,107     | 3,409   | 3,113                     | 2,361     | 2,869     | 2,927     | 2,795   |
| Maryland         | 8,586                 | 8,174     | 9,065     | 9,186     | 8,371   | 5,962                     | 5,527     | 6,091     | 5,394     | 5,182   |
| Mississippi      | 17,294                | 16,599 *  | 15,901    | 17,960    | 18,464  | 14,039                    | 13,899    | 14,442    | 15,070    | 14,413  |
| N. Carolina      | 17,724                | 17,106 *  | 17,308    | 18,140    | 18,273  | 14,577                    | 14,202    | 13,201    | 15,100    | 14,593  |
| Oklahoma         | 6,328                 | 6,380 *   | 6,859     | 6,887 *   | 7,126   | 4,108                     | 3,749     | 4,569     | 4,645     | 4,548   |
| Pennsylvania     | 3,385                 | 3,496     | 3,680     | 3,397 *   | 3,733   | 2,977                     | 3,189     | 3,249     | 2,756 *   | 2,844   |
| S. Carolina      | 5,739                 | 5,859     | 5,023     | 5,390     | 6,080   | 4,483                     | 4,220     | 4,799     | 4,256     | 4,871   |
| Texas            | 13,392 *              | 14,708 *  | 13,813 *  | 15,006 *  | 15,401  | 12,325 *                  | 11,436 *  | 12,685 *  | 11,756 *  | 12,830  |
| Virginia         | 6,035                 | 5,695     | 5,314     | 5,665     | 6,265   | 4,837                     | 4,487     | 4,203     | 4,504     | 4,641   |
| CA,MO,TN & WV    | 17,281                | 16,849    | 16,922    | 17,139 *  | 18,138  | 16,088                    | 14,979 *  | 15,938 *  | 15,118    | 14,902  |
| 19 State Total   | 186,154 *             | 188,673 * | 181,611 * | 189,812 * | 201,173 | 160,271 *                 | 150,921 * | 157,981 * | 153,988 * | 156,055 |
| Prev. Year Total | 188,802               | 191,280   | 185,975   | 193,091   | 202,149 | 163,207                   | 154,412   | 158,747   | 155,285   | 156,111 |
| % of Prev. Year  | 99                    | 99        | 98        | 98        | 100     | 98                        | 98        | 100       | 99        | 100     |

<sup>\*</sup> Revised in current week.

## **Broiler-Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Down Slightly**

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 201 million eggs in incubators during the week ending November 14, 2009. This was down slightly from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 84 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

## **Broiler Chicks Placed Down Slightly**

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 156 million chicks for meat production during the week ending November 14, 2009. Placements were down slightly from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 28, 2008 through November 14, 2009 were 7.64 billion, down 4 percent from the same period a year earlier.